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1. Mr. Carter, of the staff of Sen. H. Alexander Smith, called Mr. Houston to say that Sen. Smith was much interesting himself in the possibility of a Joint Congressional Committee on Intelligence, and had asked Carter to solicit views on this problem. Mr. Houston informed Mr. Carter that he felt that this matter could best be discussed between Senator Smith and Mr. Dulles, and it was left that the Senator would be in touch with Mr. Dulles if he wished to pursue this subject further. We have taken this line, particularly in view of the fact that Mr. Dulles is planning to talk to Senator Smith regarding [redacted]

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3. The DCI has talked to Chairman Cole, of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, and has arranged to be in touch with the Chairman on about 15 April to set up a time to give the Joint Committee its annual briefing on the foreign atomic situation.

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5. Senator Ferguson, on behalf of himself and Senators Knowland, Millikin and Saltonstall, has introduced S. Res. 217, which would authorize the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations to make a full and complete study of Executive agreements negotiated between the United States and

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foreign governments or international organizations, with particular emphasis on those negotiated since 1938.

6. Senator Mansfield has introduced S. Res. 214, providing for the Committee on Foreign Relations to make a full and complete study of technical assistance programs.

7. In connection with Item 1 above, Senator Smith called the DCI and indicated his considerable interest in a Joint Committee on Intelligence. It is believed that the Senator will discuss this subject further with the Director, but would appear to be in a mood to co-sponsor Senator Mansfield's Resolution.

8. The DCI discussed a proposed resolution to establish a Joint Congressional Committee on Intelligence with Senator Knowland, the Majority Leader. (See Memorandum for the Record this Date).

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